

JUDGE CARL FOSTER PROBABLY DOOMED TO DEFEAT OF AMBITION To Succeed Himself as Judge of City Court of Bridgeport.

FIGHT BETWEEN "OLD" AND "YOUNG" MEN FACTIONS IS NOW ON

Senator Holzer Presents Resolution Naming Foster and Wilder for Judges—Represent the "Old" Men Faction—"Young" Men Want Hull for Judge and Gould for Deputy and They Will Probably Win Out.

(By Our Special Correspondent.)
Hartford, Feb. 3.—The fight between the two factions of the Republican party of Bridgeport, the "Old" men and the "Young" men, over the division of the patronage of the city court of Bridgeport has begun in Hartford and the war will be carried merrily on from now till the finish when the appointments have been decided by the General Assembly. Both sides say they are confident, but from present appearances the Young men have the advantage and will be found to be the winners when the dust of battle has cleared away and if so the ambition of Judge Carl Foster to succeed himself as Judge of the city court of Bridgeport will be doomed to disappointment. The first gun in the battle was fired to-day when Senator Holzer of the 21st district, Bridgeport, introduced a resolution appointing Carl Foster Judge and the present assistant prosecutor Frank L. Wilder, deputy judge, respectively of the city court of Bridgeport for a term of two years from March 1, 1909. The resolution was given the usual reference to the committee on Judiciary and the main fight will be made before that body. This is the so-called "Old" men's slate and if successful will carry with it the following appointments: A. L. DeLaney, prosecuting attorney; W. A. Redden, assistant prosecuting attorney; George Burns, clerk; and the office of assistant clerk left in doubt. But the chances are that Judge Foster will not succeed in his ambition to succeed himself, for it should be remembered that the "Young" men are represented in Hartford by Senator Arnold and Representative F. A. Bartlett, hold the whip hand in the present contest. Their slate as agreed upon contains the names of Albert H. Hull for Judge, Robert H. Gould for deputy judge, providing he will accept the place. This program carries with it the following appointments: Attorney Frederic A. Bartlett for prosecuting attorney; Attorney W. A. Redden for assistant prosecuting attorney; Attorney Albert J. Turner for assistant clerk. It will be noticed that Attorney

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Bill Incorporating the Bill-lard Co. of Meriden Pending at Hartford

BILLARD OWNS 110,000 SHARES OF B. & M. STOCK

If Passed Bill Would Remove Control of Boston & Maine from Massachusetts and New Haven Road Could Secure It—Interest Now in Control Friendly to the New Haven.

(Special from United Press.)
Hartford, Feb. 3.—A favorable action by the Connecticut legislature on the petition of John L. Billard of Meriden to be allowed to incorporate the Billard Company, "to be located in the city of Meriden, with power to purchase, hold, pledge and sell shares of stock and other securities of the Boston & Maine Railroad and with such other auxiliary or similar powers as it may be deemed right to grant," would mean the passing of all control of the Boston & Maine Railroad from the State to Connecticut, home of the New York, New Haven & Hartford. Billard recently bought up 110,000 shares, the controlling interest of the Boston & Maine. It has never been denied that the purchase was made by one friendly to the New Haven whose attempted merger of the B. & M. with the New York, New Haven & Hartford is now said to be the formation of the Billard Company gives the owners of the Boston & Maine absolute control of the Massachusetts road and as a Connecticut corporation it would not be subject to such strict anti-merger laws and sentiment. It is now stated that should the measure pass Billard would transfer his personal holdings, amounting to the ownership of the B. & M., to whomever he pleased unhindered. It is significant that on the day of this measure was introduced, Senate Leader Seales introduced a resolution directing the joint judiciary committee to inquire into whether Massachusetts was violating Connecticut's prerogatives by demanding information of the New Haven company regarding the merger transactions.

CONTRACT TO MAKE JOCKEY OF A BOY

Suit Brought Against Famous Horse Man of North Stamford.

One of the strangest suits brought in this city has to deal with the failure of a horseman to carry out his contract to make a jockey of a young man and teach him "skillfully and carefully" everything knowable about piloting a race horse to victory on the track. The plaintiff in this unusual action is John C. Broedlin, 329 Stratford avenue, who brings suit as guardian for his minor son, George L. Broedlin who had an ambition to be a jockey.

The facts alleged in the plaintiff's brief are that on March 14, 1906, Geo. L. Broedlin, then 15 years old, was regularly apprenticed to John Hynes, the famous horseman who has a racing stable at North Stamford. Hynes has been very successful as a trainer and skillful instructor. He has a racing stable at North Stamford. Hynes has been very successful as a trainer and skillful instructor. He has a racing stable at North Stamford. Hynes has been very successful as a trainer and skillful instructor. He has a racing stable at North Stamford.

PETTY BURGLARS AT WORK AGAIN

Two Robberies Reported at Police Headquarters This Morning.

The barber shop of Fred Benafio was entered sometime between midnight and morning and five razors, a clipper and a razor strap were stolen. The burglar gained entrance by pushing up a rear window. The front door of the place was open this morning when the owner arrived. Detective S. M. Beale employed by Van Stone & Van Stone builders, complained at police headquarters this morning that tools belonging to him had been stolen from a house on Brooklawn avenue near the country club on which he was at work. Detective Hackett is looking up the matter.

EXTRADITION FOR WILLIAM BELL

Detective Cronan went to Hartford this morning to obtain the Governor's signature to the papers necessary for the extradition of William Bell, who is wanted here for an alleged defalcation while in the employ of William Pfau of the Amazon cafe. Detective Cronan will go to New York later in the day and is expected back in town tonight with his prisoner.

CHARGED WITH PLOT AGAINST KING MANUEL

(Special from United Press.)
Lisbon, (via Badagosa), Feb. 3.—The police today arrested a former sailor who it is charged, was chosen from a group of revolutionists to throw a bomb at King Manuel as the latter was attending Monday's memorial services for his assassinated father and brother. The police attribute the plot to the Republicans but they have not disclosed any evidence yet.

BOXING BOU PERMITTED, BUT NO BIG BOXER

Union Club Pulls Off Scheduled Events Without "Philly" McGovern

Brooklyn Man Put on in Place of New Yorker, to Great Dissatisfaction of Ticket Holders—McNally Fell Through Ropes and Hurt Shoulder.

The members of the Union Boating Club which planned to give a boxing tournament at their club rooms in Wall street last night were disturbed yesterday for sometime for fear that they would not be given a permit to hold the event.

Mayor Lee announced in the afternoon that he would not sanction the event and President Hill of the police board said the events would not be held unless the mayor signed the permit.

Manager Billy Hogan of the club took the matter up with the mayor and explained that he had been given to understand that he could conduct the bouts on a small scale in the rooms of the club.

The mayor said that from the advance notices he had seen of the boxing matches he had come to the conclusion that it was going to be a big affair with out of town talent in the ring.

Manager Hogan stated that the only out of town talent he had engaged was a blackbird, a champion of the former lightweight champion. The mayor informed the manager that in view of the fact that the tickets were sold for a big event, and that many of the members were expecting to attend he would give the permit providing that the New York boxer was withdrawn. Hogan consented, and the tournament took place last night.

The bouts were pulled off last night at the Union Club. There was a good turnout of spectators and the fights were well fought. There was a program of two preliminaries of four rounds each and a main go of six rounds.

There was an appointment galore when the principals in the main go were announced. Phil McGovern was not on hand, his place being taken by Jimmy Smith of South Brooklyn. Smith had it on "The Fabric of Southport" by about 10 to 15 pounds.

Both boys did a great deal of stalling, but furnished some excitement at times. The bout went the limit. The first go was between "Eddie" Kelly of Stratford and "Mutch" McNally of the East End. Both boys went at the start, but McNally through the ropes, hurting his shoulder and calling the scrap.

The second preliminary between "Kid" Hines of this city went for two rounds of good sparring, until it was found that McGahey had sprained his wrist.

Young Westinghouse Sails to Get Married

(Special from United Press.)
New York, Feb. 3.—After two postponements of his wedding, George Westinghouse, Jr., sailed today for England to Miss Evelyn Violet Brookbank of London. The first postponement resulted from the financial entanglements of the Westinghouse Company from which it recently emerged. A second date was set for the wedding but Westinghouse became ill and another postponement was necessary.

Miss Brookbank first saw Westinghouse when he was working as a common laborer in one of his father's shops in Pittsburgh.

AUSTRIA BLOCKING RUSSIAN PROPOSAL

(Special from United Press.)
Constantinople, Feb. 3.—Austria is accused by several of the foreign diplomats here today of temporarily blocking the Russian proposal for the settlement of her indemnity dispute with Bulgaria after the Porte had announced its informal approval of the proposal which was to accept a sum of \$2,000,000 of her war indemnity to Russia in lieu of a cash payment of \$4,000,000 to Bulgaria, the latter to pay Russia, which has agreed to have the sum of \$2,000,000 of the young man for two years after the indemnity ceased, at the rate of \$25 per month. Broedlin came to his home in this city Christmas and was taken sick here. Hynes took this opportunity to discharge him. Broedlin claims damages for board, medical treatment and wages from DeLaney. The end of the contract in March, and asks for \$100.

The decline of the racing game in New York is ascribed as the real reason for the decline of the game. There is a little demand for jockeys at present and the market is overstocked. Otherwise Broedlin would have sued for a much larger amount. The case is returnable before February 24. Attorneys Shapiro & Shapiro appear for the plaintiff in this novel contention. It is claimed that the defense will be that the contract was impossible for no one could contract to make a jockey out of a boy, as jockeys are born, not made.

LEWIS PRESIDENT OF MINE WORKERS' UNION

Indianapolis, Feb. 3.—Thomas L. Lewis was re-elected president of the United Mine Workers of America at the annual convention of the organization held here today. Lewis received 16,269 votes according to the official report of the National tellers today. Lewis' total was \$9,097; Walker's \$6,708.

No one received a majority of votes for either vice-president or secretary-treasurer. The convention will elect these officers.

ATLAS OFFER BONA FIDE; CASH READY

Tidy Profit of \$3,300,000 Figured by President Accepts Syndicate Offer.

Mysterious Talk With Congressman Hill in Washington

Letter to President Asking Him to Head Wild West Show is Nationally Discussed—A Leading Topic in Washington Political Circles—Are Hutchinsons Behind Professor?

Following a prolonged conversation with Congressman E. J. Hill, the nature of which he refuses to declare, Prof. James M. Atlas today indignantly denied the stories sent out from Washington that his offer to President Roosevelt of \$300,000 for a 30 weeks' engagement at the head of a Wild West show is not bona fide.

Prof. Atlas was exceedingly vexed, not only with these imputations against his good faith, but with the printed statement, attributed to Congressman Hill, to the effect that Atlas is an obscure man.

"Why," said Atlas, "our Congressman may not know me, but I can say without fear of being charged with egotism that I am better known than he is. He is a local celebrity. I am known all over the United States, as a fair sportsman and an honorable business man. My offer to the President is a business offer. I mean it. The moment it is accepted I will agree to lodge a certified check to cover the amount of my guarantee."

Most people believe that the offer is seriously made, and that Atlas will make good, if the President gives him the opportunity. Insiders know that he is the most intimate friend of Fred and William Hutchinson, both of whom are experienced circus men, and one of whom is now in a situation which shows how he would be attractive to him while it is thought that the other may be at the end of the season.

In fact, it is a weak spot in Prof. Atlas' proposal is not the financial end of it, but the doubt that President Roosevelt will even consider the offer. But, it is thought, that if the President is convinced that it is not a joke, and honestly made, he may make a reply.

It is certain that Prof. Atlas' offer has come to the attention of the President through the Washington Press, and also perhaps through Congressman Hill. The Washington Press has a story to the effect that the Congressman would communicate Atlas' offer to the President. It is believed the publication made it incumbent upon Mr. Hill to deny that he has undertaken any such task, and that he has entered a denial.

As a matter of fact Mr. Hill never was consulted, and Prof. Atlas declares that he never gave an interview authorizing a statement that the Congressman had been consulted.

It is believed that Prof. Atlas' conversation over the telephone with Mr. Hill, the latter at his apartment in the Burlington, and the former in his hotel, had something to do with this phase of the question.

At any rate, it is believed that Congressman Hill has distinctly refused to take the matter up with Mr. Roosevelt.

Atlas takes his offer seriously. He has figured an investment in the proposed enterprise that will amount to \$400,000. He claims that this is double the value of the plant of any Wild West show now on the road.

He estimates an average attendance of 40,000 persons a day, with a gross intake from side shows and reserved seats, on the basis of 50 cents for general admission, of \$300,000 a day, or \$180,000 a week. The operating expense, including Mr. Roosevelt's salary of \$10,000 a week, and the cost of two private cars for the President and his entourage, he places at \$50,000 a week.

Mr. Atlas is careful to say that his primary object is not the accumulation of lucre, but to give the people of America an educational show of value in giving the young the right kind of ideals. That he has a shrewd eye for profits, however, is shown by the fact with which he has figured out a net earning of \$130,000 a week, which would amount in 30 weeks to \$3,900,000.

Prof. Atlas cannot be induced to see the President, but he will accept an offer to head a circus.

In the meantime his proposition has become a national theme, and the wags of the press are busy with editorializing and cartooning the project, while it is a leading topic in Washington diplomatic and political circles. A sample of the talk that is going round, is the following: AD ATLAS OFFER. ?????? The mayor said that from the address of the President before long, luncheon would be served at the White House. "Col. James M. Atlas, a distinguished showman of Bridgeport, Conn., is to place Mr. Roosevelt in nomination on a horse and a circus. He is a man of everyone knows, of course, that Bill is still far from dead, and so it may seem a bit indecorous to be discussing the fate of his dynasty, but all the same a perceptible lessening of his vigor and beauty drives home the melancholy fact that time has begun to eat at the President's vitality. The showman will lay him low. What he needs is a trusty aid or deputy, capable of mastering his magnificent art and fitted for carrying it on after his death. As a coadjutor, as it were, with the right of succession. It is for this high office that Colonel Atlas nominates Mr. Roosevelt; and, being a business man, his speech of nomination takes the form of a column of figures. That is to say, he offers the President \$3,000,000 in cash for a 30 weeks' tour at the head of a Wild West show.

"We believe that Colonel Atlas' offer is that of a sane and honorable showman. On the surface, no doubt, it may seem eccentric, if not undignified, for an ex-President to appear in the show ring, but a moment's thought, we believe, will convince any fair man that the act in itself is not disgraceful, as it is unmanly to brave the churlish hoofs of a bucking mustang? Is it indecent to march superbly at the head of a

GLAD TO FIND BRIDGEPORT WET

Delegation Arrives from Largest "Dry" Town in World.

City Fathers of Worcester Will Buy Motor Fire Engine and Want Best—Are Looking Over Locomobile—Massachusetts City Owns Profitable Water Works.

From Worcester, Mass., the largest no license town in the world, a delegation arrived this morning to investigate the auto chemical engine and the plan of the Locomobile Co. of America. The delegation stopped on its way at the plant of the Knox Automobile Co. in Springfield. It is composed of the city's joint committee on fire department, Aldermen Walter L. Meilen, Peter F. Sullivan, Herbert N. Leach, Frederick M. Bartlett, John J. McCarthy, and James L. Harrow. Others in the party are Chief George S. Coleman of the fire department, Harry C. Smith, clerk of city committees, William H. Pratt, city messenger, and Capt. H. R. Williamson of the city salvage corps.

At the railroad station the party were met by Mayor Lee, Chief Mooney and Representative Fox of the Locomobile Co. They were taken to the Stratfield in motor cars where they were met by President Billard of the fire board and entertained at lunch. The inspection of the plant and of the auto chemical will take place this afternoon. The visit is for the purpose of purchasing an auto chemical engine in the near future.

Several of the members of the delegation enjoyed a beverage at the bar of the Stratfield and said it was a pleasure to have a "smile" in a respectable drinking place. Commenting on the fact that Worcester had gone no license in the last campaign the members of the delegation said that it was a spite vote because out of 140 liquor licenses more than 100 were held by two brewers who would not allow anyone else to get a license without a fight.

Enough Bridgeport is only about 35,000 less than Worcester in population the grand list of the Massachusetts City is \$400,000,000 on a two-thirds valuation against Bridgeport's valuation of \$77,000,000 on a full valuation. Worcester is the only city in the country having a complete block map system and it disburses about \$300,000 annually against \$140,000 in Bridgeport. While the tax here is \$15.60 a thousand on a full valuation it is only \$17 a thousand on a two-thirds valuation. "We make our manufacturers pay their taxes," said one of the aldermen.

Another fact learned from the Worcester city fathers was that the city has its own water and sells water to everyone at metered rates at a profit. It is now being planned to lower the price of water.

VICE PROVEN TO BE INNOCENT

Check Lost in Transit Not Found and Not Presented for Payment.

John Vice, who was held for investigation, yesterday afternoon was discharged by Superintendent Birmingham this morning no charge having been made against him.

While employed as a driver for Vincent Bros., on Jan. 15, Vice delivered a load of feed to Owen Keenan, the Fairfield avenue liveryman. He received receipts for the load. It is claimed that the stable that Vice also received a sealed envelope containing a check for \$437 drawn by Mr. Keenan in favor of Vincent Bros. The check has not been seen since and it has not been presented for payment at the bank. The loss of the check was discovered yesterday afternoon after banking hours. Vice was held until it could be ascertained from the bank whether it had been cashed.

Supt. Birmingham was convinced last night that Vice was entirely innocent, but waited until information was received from the bank this morning. Vice was preparing to leave for New York and had over \$400 in his pocket when arrested.

WALKS WITH DEAD MAN'S KNEE NOW

Unique Operation Performed in a Georgetown Hospital With Success.

(Special from United Press.)
Washington, Feb. 3.—Using the knee of a dead man, George Kelly, a patient in the Georgetown hospital, walked about the streets today. Kelly had had his knee a few months ago and after suffering a great deal at the hospital it was declared amputation was necessary. About the time that the patient was discharged, Kelly was told that the hospital was preparing to perform the operation on another inmate of the hospital. Permission was obtained from the dead man's relatives and before his body was cold Dr. Vaughan had cut out the knee joint. Kelly was placed under chloroform, his knee joint removed and was then placed in the hospital bed of the dead man. Surgeons say this operation has been done but once before in history.

NOT FOR GENERAL CLOSED SEASON.

The Fish and Game Commissioners have received communications as to their reported attitude in favor of a closed season on game birds, which report, they say, is erroneous. In their report they advocate a closed season for two years on Hungarian partridges, and they believe that persons hastily reading the report have been misled into thinking their desire for a closed season for the one kind of bird applied to all game birds.

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But Only Nine Have Yet Been Selected and One May Yet Be Excused for Ill Health.

(Special from United Press.)
Nashville, Tenn., Feb. 3.—Nine men were in the jury box when Judge Hart called court to order today in the trial of Colonel Duncan Cooper, Robin Cooper and John Sharp, for the murder of former Senator Edward D. Carmack. Over one-half of the fourth venire of five hundred men is exhausted.

The early proceedings of the day were marked by frequent clashes between attorneys, Judge Hart administering some severe rebukes and exercising all of his diplomacy to prevent an outbreak of physical violence which several times threatened. At the exhaustion of the present venire the question of the competency of Juror Whitworth will be taken up.

Court Clerk Haley said today that all of the names in the jury box will likely be exhausted with the drawing of the next venire. Judge Hart will then draft jury districts from the polling book in case of a tie. At the time this is done the jury can be completed within a day.

Attorneys for the defense at a conference held here today said all their clients shall take the stand in their own behalf.

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